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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
TERUAKI TAJI ET AL : ATTN: BOX SEQUENCE  
SERIAL NO: 09/810,506 :  
FILED: MARCH 19, 2001 :  
FOR: A METHOD FOR INCREASING  
STRESS-RESISTANCE TO A  
PLANT :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants submit herewith a substitute Sequence Listing and a corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing. Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

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